

Office of Mayor Jerry Sanders

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Sanders Announces Support for Smoking Ban at Qualcomm Stadium

San Diego -- This morning, the Padres announced that PETCO Park would become a smoke-free facility throughout the ballpark.

Mayor Jerry Sanders fully supports this change. He thinks it's the right thing to do and he applauds the Padres for making this change. Fans should be able to enjoy a completely smoke-free facility.

PETCO Park is operated by the Padres. Qualcomm Stadium is run by the City. The Mayor supports a facility-wide smoking ban at Qualcomm. The Mayor has asked the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance for the Council's consideration to outlaw smoking throughout the facility.

The City has lessees at the facility such as the Chargers and the Aztecs. The City will be in touch with those parties prior to the Council's consideration of this ordinance.